

## House Resolution No. 329

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives truly enjoy recognizing milestone events in the lives of individuals who have longstanding ties to the Show-Me State with its diversity of population, geography, and economy; and

**Whereas**, identical twin sisters, Martha Dawson of Burlington Junction, Missouri, and Georgia Headrick of Maryville, will travel to Jefferson City on February 19, 2002, to visit members of the state legislature in the Capitol, which is the scene of many auspicious events in the lives of the two women; and

**Whereas**, born on February 22, 1917, Martha and Georgia are proud to be known as the daughters of Ernest Shelton and Blanche Job Shelton and as the granddaughters of the Honorable William Job, a former Missouri State Representative from Nodaway County; and

**Whereas**, Martha and Georgia enjoyed the rare privilege of having their births announced in the Journal of the Missouri House of Representatives on February 28, 1917, when members of that illustrious legislative body named the twins in honor of the first President of the United States, George Washington, who was born on February 22nd some one hundred eighty-five years earlier, and in honor of his beloved wife, Martha; and

**Whereas**, raised on the family farm near Quitman, a small Missouri hamlet boasting nearly fifty residents today, Martha enjoyed a carefree childhood; grew up to marry her beloved Elmer Dawson, now deceased; and diligently provided for the needs of three children; and

**Whereas**, universally praised as a devout, Christian woman, Martha Dawson is an active member of the Order of the Eastern Star:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud Martha Dawson and her identical twin sister, Georgia Headrick, and to convey to the both of them this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and our best wishes as they celebrate their Eighty-fifth Birthdays together in their native state of Missouri; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Martha Dawson of Burlington Junction, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Rex Barnett  
District No. 4

I, Jim Kreider, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-first General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do  
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 329, adopted February 18, 2002.

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Jim Kreider, Speaker